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ABSTRACT

Promoting the value of a literature-based curriculum, this curriculum guide presents lesson plans and class activities based on works of children's literature that help children develop a greater awareness of global interdependence and the developing world. Sections of the curriculum guide address African folktales, global interdependence, Latin American city life, and India. Each section of the curriculum guide offers an introduction, a list of objectives, suggested approaches, and supplementary resources. In addition, each section offers a synopsis, a list of themes, pre- and postreading activities and follow-up activities for specific works of children's literature--the section on African folktales presents information on 7 works of children's literature, and describes 10 strategies for students to take action; the section on global interdependence discusses 3 works of children's literature; the section on Latin American city life offers approaches based on 4 works of children's literature and 7 poems, cartoons, and newspaper stories about the topic; and the section on India offers suggested approaches based on 3 works of children's literature, suggested follow-up activities for an integrated activity center approach, and 4 appendixes of games, recipes, and the United Nations Declaration of the Rights of the Child. (RS)

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